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Want You to Know!



INSIDE: The Stealth Record of Your Congressman
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Vote For Randy "Duke" Cunningham

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What Duke Cunningham SAID About the Special Interests:

***“I first ran for Congress in 1990
because I was fed up with politicians
who took advantage of our trust and put
powerful special interests ahead of those
who elected them. ”***

*—Randy “Duke” Cunningham
Friends of Cunningham brochure, 1994*



What Duke Cunningham DID FOR the Special Interests:

■ Received a perfect 100% Rating from Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition, a special interest group representing the radical right which strongly encourages its supporters to hide their political beliefs and voting records from the public.

(The Religious Right, published by the Anti-Defamation League)

■ Received a perfect "A" Rating and \$20,000 from the National Rifle Association (NRA).

(Rifleman, October, 1992)

■ Was rated among the 3% most extreme right wing members of Congress

(Congressional Quarterly, 12/19/92, 12/16/93)

■ Was rated more right wing than Senator Jesse Helms

(Congressional Quarterly, 12/19/92, 12/16/93)



What Duke Cunningham SAID About Women in America:

“I share your concern over the considerable amount of crimes committed against women each day in the United States, and I agree that something must be done.”

*—Randy “Duke” Cunningham
Letter to National Organization
for Women (1/8/94)*

“Roe v Wade and the Supreme Court control a person’s right to choice. The only role the federal government should take, other than the Supreme Court, is tax dollars.”

*—Randy “Duke” Cunningham
Newspaper interview*



What Duke Cunningham DID About Women in America:



■ Following the Tailhook scandal, Cunningham, a former Tailhook member, said, "Was she [Paula Coughlin] totally innocent in this? I don't think so...If you have clothes that are scant, if you have a past that is not professional, then that's going to add to the problems."
(KNSD-TV, 2/27/94)

■ Voted to gut the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act (11/16/93) which makes it illegal to block access to clinics

■ Voted to prevent states and individuals from filing civil suits against protesters who block access to clinics (11/16/93)

■ Voted against a woman's right to reproductive choice 100% of the time

Report Card		Randy Cunningham
F		National Women's Political Caucus, San Diego Chapter
0* Rating		Planned Parenthood
0* Rating		National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL)

*Out of a possible 100.

What Duke Cunningham SAID About the Environment:

“I have a deep commitment to protecting San Diego’s environment...Critical legislation such as the Endangered Species Act, Clean Water Act, the Marine Mammal Protection Act, and Wetlands reform must be considered by the House this year. Congress can and must continue to protect California’s environment.”

—Randy “Duke” Cunningham
Letter to constituents, 1994



Report Card Randy Cunningham	
0* Rating	League of Conservation Voters
0* Rating	CalPIRG (California Public Interest Research Group)

*Out of a possible 100.

What Duke Cunningham DID TO the Environment:

- Co-sponsored legislation to weaken provisions of the Clean Water Act protecting wetlands (*HR 1330 in 1993*)
- Voted against the California Desert Protection Act (*7/14/94*)
- Voted to cut \$1.2 billion from the EPA's Superfund Program and to eliminate the requirement for treating hazardous waste (*11/22/93*)
- Co-sponsored legislation to drastically weaken the Endangered Species Act (*HR 1490 in 1993*)
- Referred to supporters of The California Desert Protection Act as "environmental Nazis" on the floor of the House (*7/14/94*)

- Co-sponsored legislation to weaken laws protecting drinking water quality (*HR 3392 in 1993*)
- Sponsored legislation for a temporary ban on offshore drilling while publicly claiming it was permanent (*Friends of Cunningham brochure, 1994*)



What Duke Cunningham SAID About Crime in America:

“To restore personal and community security, Congress should pass a strong crime bill. Congress must recognize that each crime victimizes a family, a family which deserves justice and restitution. Americans rightly fear the randomness of crime and the increasingly violent nature of criminals. Tough action is needed and our results need to match our rhetoric.”

—Randy “Duke” Cunningham,
Letter to constituents, 1994



What Duke Cunningham DID About Crime in America:

■ Voted Against the Crime Bill
(8/21/94)

■ Voted Against the Assault
Weapon Ban (5/5/94) and the
Brady Handgun Control Bill
(11/30/93)

■ Voted to weaken the Brady Bill
and undercut state and local gun
control laws
(11/10/93)

■ Attacked the Crime Bill in a
speech on the floor of the House
because it includes "social
spending" for crime and drug
abuse prevention programs
(8/10/94)



What Duke Cunningham SAID About Children

"I am in support of preventative medicine and believe that vaccinations should be provided to those who cannot afford them.

Because, let's face it, none of us can allow our children to be sick."

(Letter to the National Organization for Women, 1/8/94)

"...if we want and expect our children to perform better in school, we must make sure the children have the capacity to fully benefit from their education...If your kids are hungry, how much control do you have over them, or how much do they learn?"

(Speech on House floor, 7/19/94)

and Education:

"Nothing is more important to the future of this country than the proper education of our children."

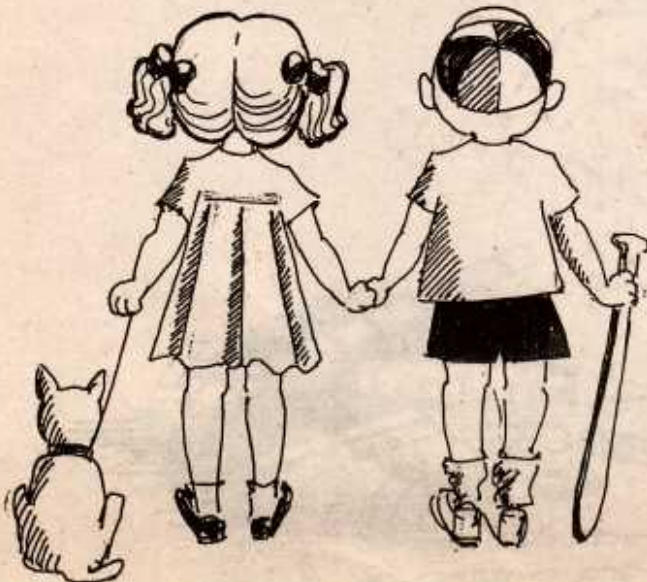
(Cunningham brochure, 1994)

"I will continue to do everything on the federal level to ensure that the states and localities have the resources to provide our children with the best education possible."

(Cunningham brochure, 1994)

"Ever since I have been in Congress...I have worked tirelessly toward improving our educational system."

(Cunningham brochure, 1994)



What Duke Cunningham DID TO Children and Education:

■ Was one of only 38 members of Congress to vote against a bill requiring warning labels on toys that pose a choking risk for small children (3/16/94)

■ Voted against funding for childhood immunization five times! (10/29/91; 7/28/92; 3/19/93; 8/5/93; 10/7/93)

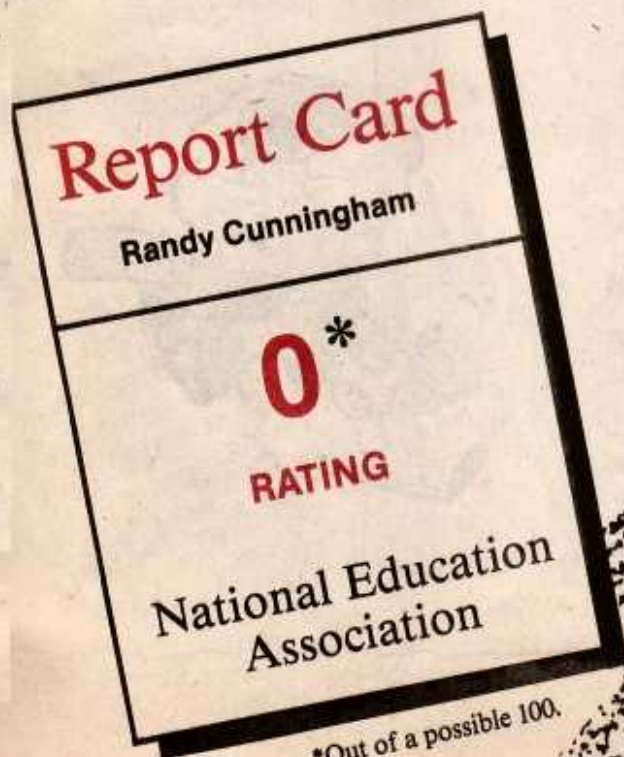
■ Voted against Head Start funding five times! (4/17/91; 10/29/91; 11/6/91; 7/28/92; 3/19/93)

■ Voted against funding the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) nutrition program (11/6/91; 11/19/91)

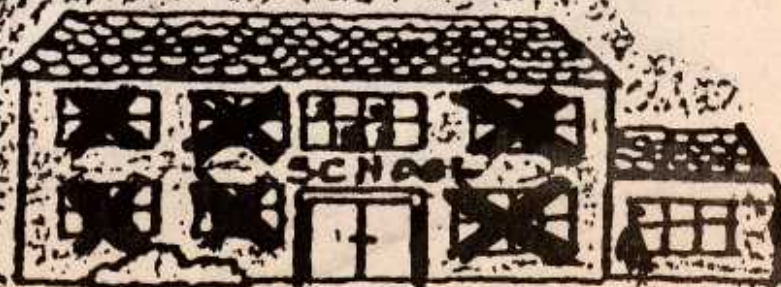
■ Voted to cut funds to all school districts, eliminate new programs, and eliminate all funds for family planning in the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (3/24/94)

■ Voted against the Goals 2000: Educate America Act of 1993, which encouraged states to set high scholastic standards (10/13/93)

■ Twice voted to divert funds from public schools to pay tuition at private and parochial schools (8/12/92)



*Out of a possible 100.



What Duke Cunningham SAID About Seniors:

“Only one candidate for Congress in your district is absolutely committed to protecting...Medicare. That candidate is Randy ‘Duke’ Cunningham.”

(Cunningham brochure, 1992)

“I...will fight any efforts to tamper with Social Security.”

(Cunningham brochure, 1990)



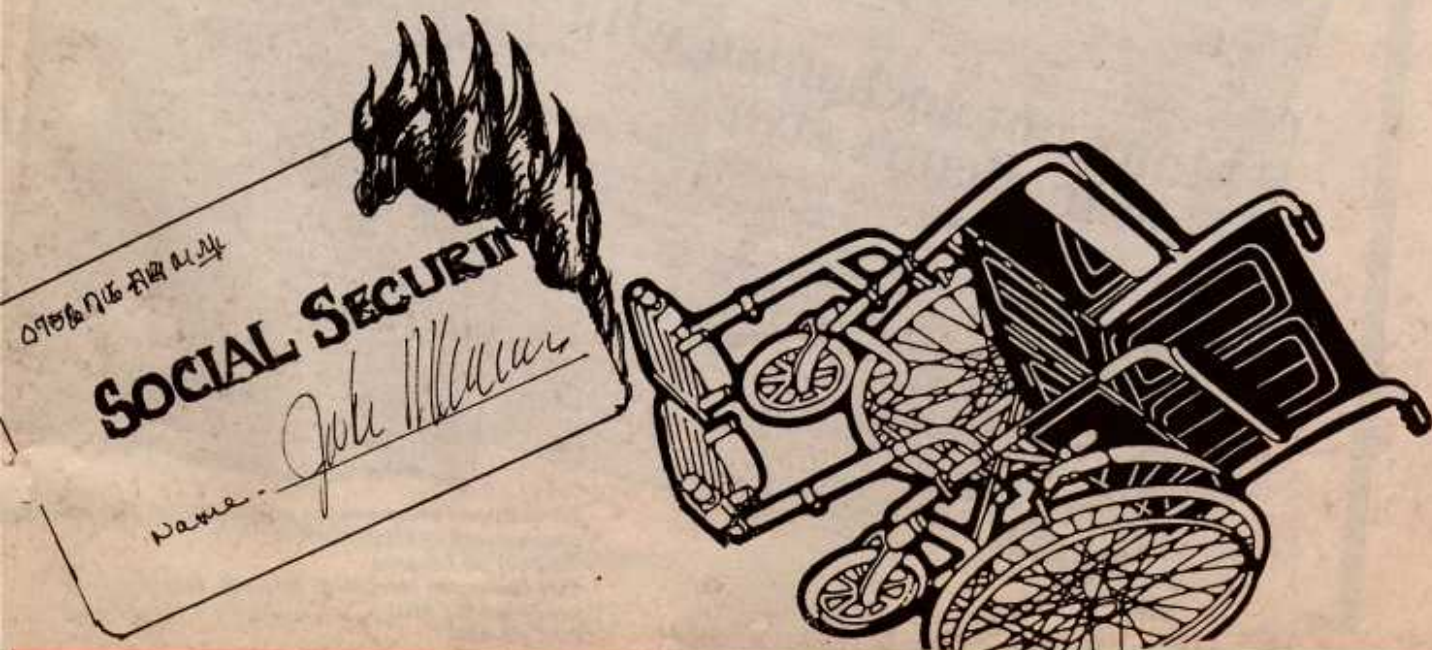
What Duke Cunningham DID TO Seniors:

■ Voted to cut Medicare on two occasions (11/22/93; 4/17/94)

■ Introduced three bills to divert Medicare funds to other programs (HR 3349 on 9/17/91; HR 3957 on 11/26/91; HR 1778 on 4/21/93)

■ Voted against a measure to protect low and middle income seniors from higher Social Security taxes (7/14/93)

■ Voted against an amendment to the Balanced Budget Amendment that would have prevented further cuts in Social Security (6/11/94)



Again and again, Duke Cunningham has embarrassed us.

■ The Duke challenged Rep. David Obey to a fistfight on the floor of the House.

(SD Union-Tribune, 6/17/94)

■ The Duke told a *Washington Post* reporter the leadership of Congress "ought to be lined up and shot."

(Blade-Citizen, 10/11/92)

■ The Duke announced during a debate on the assault weapons ban, "I have flown an F-14 over this Capitol with a 20 mm gun that could shoot 6000 rounds a minute. I could disintegrate this hall in a half-a-second burst."

(SD Union-Tribune, 5/7/94)

6/17

The San Diego Union-Tribune
Friday, June 17, 1994
Notes from all over
■ As he joined the House debate on the assault-weapons ban, Cunningham might have spurred some of his colleagues to consider another ban — one on retired fighter pilots buzzing around town with military firepower.
"I have flown an F-14 over this Capitol with a 20-millimeter gun that could shoot 6,000 rounds a minute," Cunningham announced. "I could disintegrate this hall in a half-a-second burst. Yet, the gentleman from New York..."
Schumer, a sponsor of the bill.

Rivals blast Cunningham's integrity

By Tom Bradley Jr.
Staff Writer

CARLSBAD — Randy "Duke" Cunningham's rivals in the 51st Congressional District race are questioning the Republican front runner's integrity in the wake of his recent comments that called for "shooting" liberal House leaders. The charges, leveled by Democrat Bea Herbert, Green Party candidate Dick Roe and Libertarian Bill Holmes, comes as last year's Tailhook Association scandal continues to

bedevil the first-term representative, and follow his support for President Bush's attacks against the Vietnam War record of Democratic rival Bill Clinton. Before a candidates forum Friday, the trio condemned Cunningham and his comments regarding the Democratic leadership in Congress. "We're seeing a little bit of his personality and a dark side to Randy Cunningham that's a little scary," Holmes said. Cunningham recently told the

Washington Post that Democrats blunting Republican legislation "ought to be lined up and shot. I'm talking about the liberal leadership." In February, Cunningham made similar remarks about Vietnam War protesters to a Blade-Citizen reporter. "I would have no hesitation about lining them up and shooting them," he said. "Those people should be shot for what they did to us over there." But Cunningham's comments should

ly because representatives often say things on the House floor out of frustration. He said the quote stemmed from debate over a dam project that would have reduced water supplies in Southern California. "Dissem is fine," he said. "That's what makes this country great." However, Cunningham and three other conservative congressmen this week suggested that Bush question Clinton's patriotism to

The San Diego Union-Tribune

Many not enchanted with Cunningham's style

Shoot-from-hip attitude grates on voters of new district

By GERRY BRAUN Staff Writer

Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham has never subscribed to the protocol that freshmen in Congress should be seen and not heard. From his early days in Washington, when the ex-fighter pilot became an instant media analyst of the Gulf War, to his recent speeches on the House floor questioning Bill Clinton's patriotism, Cunningham has garnered more national attention in one term than other congressmen do in a lifetime. Cunningham boasts he has "cut my own rudder" in politics, but critics prefer another nautical metaphor for the 30-year-old Republican: a loose cannon rolling around the deck of a ship.

They argue that the more Cunningham captures the spotlight, the more his shoot-from-the-hip style grates on the conservative middle-class voters who should be his political base in the new 51st Congressional District.

The sprawling district, which covers most of North County and northern San Diego, previously was home to Reps. Ron Packard and Clair Burgener, courtly behind-the-scenes operators whose sense of decorum would not permit them to claim that the probable future president is a KGB dupe, or to propose, as Cunningham did, that the House leadership "be lined up and shot."

Savings and loan president Jim Rody, the

The San Diego Union-Tribune

Cunningham dares Democrat to cross line

COPY NEWS SERVICE

WASHINGTON — A tense moment during a House debate brought new meaning to the legislative expression "floor fight."

During a drawn-out discussion of spending legislation, Rep. Randy Cunningham, R-San Diego, took offense Wednesday night when the Democratic chairman of the House Appropriations Committee questioned Republican motives and threatened to retaliate.

Cunningham then challenged Chairman David Obey of Wisconsin to, in effect, step across a line. At issue was legislation providing \$23.5 billion for a variety of Treasury Department and Postal Service programs.

The incident began when Rep. Harris Fawell, R-Ill., offered an amendment to strike \$15.8 million for the proposed construction of new courthouses in Georgia, Ohio and Texas.

After a long debate, an angry Obey took the floor and said he found it "funny" but not all amusing that the only objections arising from the House floor in the districts of Democrats "are going to be a lot of targets on the Republican side of the aisle" when future bills come to the floor.

The remark drew a harsh response from Cunningham, who said "I do not like to be threatened, and if the individual wants to threaten, we can handle that real good... If the gentleman wants to do something, he can just come right over here."

Rep. Henry Hoyer, D-Md., quickly interceded, suggesting, "Why do we not keep the debate on the issue? We will all be better off."

"I agree," Cunningham replied. Fawell's amendment later failed by a vote of 271-143.

Afterward, Cunningham and Obey met briefly on the House floor.

There were no more threats, and I wouldn't say either one apologized," Frank Collins, a spokesman for Cunningham, said yesterday.

While debates often turn heated in Congress, it is rare for members to come to blows. The last time was to come to blows when Rep. Bob Dorn, R-Garden Grove, grabbed then-Rep. Tom Downey, D-N.Y., by the necktie during a shaving match at the rear of the House chamber.

The incident began when Downey confronted Downey over a quote calling Downey "a traitorous wimp."

For additional documentation on Duke's most embarrassing moments, call or write:
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his Time We Have Another Choice



Dear Voter,

My name is Rita Tamerius and I am running for Congress against our current representative, Randy Cunningham. I am a nurse practitioner, veteran, businesswoman, and mother of three. I am not a politician. I am running for Congress because I don't like to be lied to.

Back in 1992, when Randy Cunningham was first campaigning for Congress in the 51st District, he portrayed himself as a representative who would be fiscally conservative and socially progressive. He said he would fight crime, support measures to reinvigorate the San Diego economy, work to improve the public school system, and protect our environment. These were all things with which I agreed.

Since then, I have learned that what Randy Cunningham says and what Randy Cunningham does are two different things. I put this booklet together so voters like you would know the truth about what Rep. Cunningham does when he is in Washington, D.C.

With your support, I will do the things in Congress that Randy Cunningham talked about doing. I will fight crime by taking guns out of the hands of criminals. I will reinvigorate our economy by supporting conversion to high-paying biotechnology and transportation industries. I will improve education by making sure that our public schools have enough resources to teach our children what they need to learn. I will protect our environment by supporting hazardous waste clean-up and strong water quality standards. And in everything I do, I will make children our first priority.

Every voter has a right to know how their representatives stand on key issues. That's why I have taken the non-partisan National Political Awareness Test sponsored by Project Vote Smart and why I urge Randy Cunningham to do the same. If elected to Congress, I can't promise that you and I will always agree on every issue. However, I can promise that you will always know where I stand.

Sincerely yours,

Rita Tamerius
Congressional Candidate
51st District



Making Children Our First Priority

MAKING CHILDREN OUR FIRST PRIORITY!

When you compare the candidates...only one candidate has consistently worked to protect our children and our future.

That candidate is Rita Tamerius!

This time we have a real choice.

Compare the candidates:

(See Details Inside)



Rita Tamerius

Nurse Practitioner
Businesswoman
Educator
Veteran



Randy Cunningham

Incumbent

Special Interest Support	Teachers Nurses	N.R.A.* Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition* Tobacco*
Children and Public Education	Supports	Opposes*
Womens Reproductive Choice	Supports	Opposes*
Crime Bill	Supports	Opposes*
Environmental Protection	Supports	Opposes*
Protect Seniors & Medicare	Supports	Opposes*

**Don't believe it?
Look Inside!*

**It's time to elect a candidate who represents US!
Rita Tamerius is one of us!**

Elect Rita Tamerius - Congress 51st District

Vote Tuesday - Nov. 8th